

Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention is directed to an assay and a method of detecting the presence of a specific sample nucleic acid sequence in a sample suspected of containing the same. The assay utilizes nucleic acid matrices to facilitate reactions which detect the presence of a nucleic acid sequence through formation of a hybridized or bound nucleic acid structure having a portion capable of disassociating therefrom through the action of a structure specific cleaving enzyme.

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